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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

Inventor: Thomas J. Foth et al.

For: METHOD FOR FACILITATING A TRANSACTION BETWEEN A MERCHANT AND A BUYER

Enclosed are:

6 pages comprising the specification, claims, and abstract.

6 sheets of drawings.

A Declaration and Power of Attorney.

An Information Disclosure Statement.

A Certificate of Mailing by Express Mail.

A Recordation of Assignment Request and an Assignment of the invention to Pitney Bowes Inc.,  
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Total Claims	8	- 20 =	0	X \$18.00	=	\$ 0.00
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